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- 1853—June 18th—Grand Trunk Railway opened to Portland. The *Genova*, the first ocean steamship, arrives at the port of Montreal.  
July 22nd—Foundation laid of Pier No. 1, of Victoria Pier.
- 1855—November 19th—Grand Trunk Railway opened from Montreal to Brockville.
- 1856—Boiler explosion on Grand Trunk ferry plying to Longueuil kills 35.  
Grand Trunk opened to Toronto.
- 1857—Steamer *Montreal*, en route from Québec with 500 Scotch immigrants, was burned, over 250 perishing.
- 1860—The Prince of Wales visits Montreal on his tour of Canada and the United States, and opens the Victoria bridge.
- 1861—April 14th—The worst flood occurred in the history of Montreal, the river rising 24 feet higher than the average. St. Paul Street was completely submerged.
- 1864—Grand Trunk train falls through an open draw at Belœil and 90 were killed.
- 1866—Troops gathered in Montreal to repel the threatened Fenian invasion.
- 1867—Confederation of the Dominion of Canada.
- 1868—April 7th—Assassination of Hon. Thos. D'Arcy McGee by Fenians.
- 1874—Mount Royal Park acquired by city.
- 1898—Victoria Bridge replaced by new double track bridge.
- 1910—International Eucharistic Congress held here, first to be held in America.
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